

# 'The Great Virgil' Benefit Mystery Show Being Presented Here Tonight

"The Great Virgil just completed a two-day engagement here at the Mark Koppel high school. The finest show that has ever played in this vicinity. For young and old alike, a show you will never forget. We highly recommend the Great Virgil."

This telegram was received by President Harry B. Lewis of Torrance Lions club, from Russell King, of the Monterey Park Lions club, regarding the show which is presented by "The Great Virgil" playing a charity benefit under sponsorship of the Lions club tonight at 8:15 o'clock in the Torrance Civic Auditorium. Admission is 50 cents and \$1.00.

Thrills and plenty of fun is promised local people when THE GREAT VIRGIL, famous magician and illusionist, with his skilled company of demons, ghosts and goblins, brings his show of a thousand wonders to the stage of the Civic auditorium tonight.

THE GREAT VIRGIL is considered the fastest and most mystifying magician on tour today, presenting as many as nine baffling mysteries in the course of three minutes.

Starting with such feats as snatching live birds and bowls of fire and water out of thin air, THE GREAT VIRGIL goes swiftly into the more sensational effects of Death on the Guillotine, The Dissolving of the Bodies of Two Human Beings, Saving a Woman in Half, Chinese Opium Den Mystery, Execution on Mars and dozens of others using tons of elaborate equipment that will tax the capacity of the auditorium stage. Illusions and feats of magic follow in such rapid succession that the entire auditorium seems transformed into a veritable fairyland during the entire two hours.

JULIE, The Great Virgil's leading lady and heralded as America's Sweetheart of Magic, will present two outstanding acts during the performance. The first—a beautiful act of art and the second—her strange demonstration of human television which has puzzled scientists and doctors all over America.

Several special changes of scenery, dozens of beautiful costumes, special music and lighting effects, birds and animals and magic gnomes will be used during the presentation of this mystery production.

The full evening performance of THE GREAT VIRGIL, which will be presented tonight at the



THE GREAT VIRGIL Appears Here Tonight

Civic auditorium is said to be just one long laugh and more fun than a three ring circus.

## Gasoline Tax of State Shows Gain Over Last Year

R. E. Collins, Chairman of the State Board of Equalization, disclosed today gasoline tax assessments of California oil companies for February, 1945, are \$134,694 more than they were for the corresponding month of a year ago, a gain of 3.57 percent. The February roll of tax assessments just completed based on distribution of 130,224,164 gallons, amounting to \$3,906,725, is a loss of 9.18 percent over January, 1945, when assessments were levied on 143,395,984 gallons. This is partially reflected by February being the "short" month.

California use fuel taxes assessed against Diesel-operated trucks and buses yielded during February \$123,241, a gain of 14 percent over the same month a year ago. Diesel-propelled vehicles in operation as of March 1, 1945, totaled 5,713 as against 4,683 a year ago, indicating a sizable gain in the use of this type vehicle.

TO SAN DIEGO  
Glenwood Richhart, Ph. 1/c, has been transferred to San Diego.

## Food Sanitation Is Subject of Dr. Swartout

H. O. SWARTOUT, M.D.  
Dr. P. H., Los Angeles County Health Officer

Sanitation has done more than anything else to lessen cases of and deaths from typhoid fever and other diseases which are spread by contaminated food and drink. Inspectors from the health department can point the way toward true sanitation, but to accomplish it every citizen must play a part as well.

Food can be selected at markets which observe the fundamentals of cleanliness. If insanitary conditions are seen, the shopper can and should report such to the manager or to the local health department.

When the groceries are carried from the market, the individual is on his own. Sanitary precautions observed in production and marketing are mooted, unless carried to their conclusion in the home.

It is essential that the hands and clothing of the person working with food be clean. Cracked or chipped dishes and utensils afford good harborage for dirt and germs. Correct food sanitation implies that doors and windows are screened, and that stoves, walls, and ceilings are free from dust, dirt, soot, and cobwebs.

Cooked foods should be served soon after preparation or else placed immediately in a refrigerator efficient enough to maintain a temperature below 50 degrees. Correct dishwashing includes a rinse in water as near to boiling temperature as possible but never below 170 degrees.

Before you say, "Who doesn't know all this?" it is well to remember that people who know these things far outnumber those who put them into practice.

## Total Income of Civilians Doubles 1939

The total income of all civilian residents in Los Angeles County during 1944 was more than twice as large as in 1939, according to a research report released here today by the Southern California office of the California State Chamber of Commerce.

The report, which was prepared by the State Chamber's research department, estimates that individual income in Los Angeles County in 1944 totaled \$5,114,970,000, compared with \$2,057,384,000 in 1939. This is a gain of \$3,077,195,000. Totals for 1942 and 1943 respectively, were \$3,684,623,000, and \$4,612,068,000.

After the collection of income and social security taxes, there was left for disposal by Los Angeles County civilians \$4,582,131,000 in 1944, compared with \$1,999,896,000 in 1939, the report estimates. Total disposable individual incomes in the county are placed by the report at \$2,238,469,000 in 1940, \$2,820,200,000 in 1941, \$3,524,342,000 in 1942, and \$4,131,952,000 in 1943.

The difference between total incomes and total disposable incomes in Los Angeles County set forth in the report was \$532,428,000 in 1944 compared with \$37,488,000 in 1939. This reflects the higher income tax collections by which Los Angeles County civilians are helping to support the war effort.

State totals of individual incomes were \$12,521,000,000 in 1944 and \$5,013,000,000 in 1939. State totals of disposable incomes were \$11,217,564,000 in 1944 and \$4,920,761,000 in 1939.

3556 NEGROES  
There are 3,556 Negroes serving in the U. S. Coast Guard, according to the latest Navy Department figures.

## Postwar Job Patterns Analyzed



Mary Anne Balrd and Norma Brown hold "pie chart" illustrating fact that distribution of goods and services normally employs nearly 7 out of 10 of all workers in Southern California and that this field of employment, not manufacturing nor agriculture, must be turned to for the major solution of a postwar unemployment problem in Los Angeles county estimated at upwards of 250,000. To stimulate these employment fields, civic leaders are backing an All-Year Club program for postwar tourist trade expansion as one measure to help blot up this dangerous unemployment gap.



OUR OWN CHILDREN receive loving care in Community Chest agencies when deprived of their natural homes, thanks to your War Chest contributions. Thousands each year are sheltered and receive careful guidance in the ways of self-reliance in foster homes, institutions and in day nurseries when their own homes are broken due to death of parents or separation, or when it becomes necessary for the mother to become the bread-winner. Other thousands receive needed help in hospitals and clinics, as well as through family welfare services.

## 2,000 Vets of World War II Receive Funds

More than 2,000 Veterans of World War II are receiving weekly payments under Title V of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act through the California Department of Employment. It was announced today by James G. Bryant, Chairman of the California Employment Stabilization Commission. During the first six months of the program for the payment of unemployment allowances to veterans 28,695 checks were paid totaling \$568,720, and each veteran drew approximately 64 checks for an average weekly payment of \$19.35, Bryant said.

Payments to self-employed veterans by the Veterans Administration are of limited volume, Bryant said, with only 80 veterans filing during the first four months of the program. Occupations of veterans seeking allowances while self-employed included farm operators, attorneys, photographers, accountants, authors, insurance and real estate brokers, miners, and other business operators.

Bryant pointed out that allowance payments are enabling veterans to become settled in profitable employment or self-employment and serve to bridge the gap between military service and civilian pursuits.

AT FIRST SIGN OF A COLD USE 666 Cold Preparation has directed

## Future Farmers To Participate In Stock Contest

Members of the Future Farmers of America chapter in Torrance high school along with others throughout Southern California have been invited to participate in a big livestock judging contest to be held on the Diamond Bar ranch in Brea canyon just west of Pomona on the morning of May 5. Sponsored by the F. F. A. chapters of Fullerton and Anaheim schools the contest, which will mark the resumption of these events on a larger scale than has been possible in the past, due to war restrictions, will precede the opening of the second annual Roads to Romance Roundup to open on the ranch immediately upon the close of this feature.

According to Herbert A. Stitt and Joe Wilmore, agricultural instructors of the host schools, the contest will start promptly at 9 A.M. and will be confined to beef and horses in response to the current interest in these departments.

Classes will include yearling bulls, heifers, and aged cows, all registered Herefords. There will also be a class of 10 feeder calves from which will be judged the top calf according to its desirability as a project animal. A fifth class will be for fat Hereford steers. Horses will be confined to one class for brood mares.

First, second and third ribbons will be awarded and there will be ribbons for the top 3 individuals. Because of the large number of participants expected each instructor has been limited to 5 boys. After the judging there will be a demonstration on fitting beef for show and other educational features. Special arrangements have been made for the participants to attend the roundup which will be of outstanding interest as it will include the first authorized Q. H. A. Quarter Horse show in California.

TAX ASSESSMENTS  
Religious and charitable organizations seeking reductions in tax assessments must appear before the Board of Supervisors sitting as a board of equalization in July.

ADVENTISTS HEAD  
William B. Ochs, president of the Northern California conference at Oakland, Calif., has been elected president of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, Glendale.

MAINTENANCE  
Maintenance of State Route 127 within the boundaries of Death Valley National Monument has been taken over by the California Department of Public Works.



The flag of our country has flown at half mast. There a symbol of a nation's respect to the memory of Franklin Delano Roosevelt—President of the United States. As we raise it again, we march forward behind our colors and our new President throughout the world.

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